

### **REMARKS**

Applicant expresses appreciation to the Examiner for consideration of the subject patent application. This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed June 1, 2006. Claims 1-60 are subject to a restriction requirement.

Claims 1-60 were originally presented. Claims 1-37 remain in the application. Claims 38-60 have been canceled without prejudice.

#### **Election/Restriction Requirements:**

Restriction to one of the following inventions was required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-37, drawn to a method preparing a piezoelectric element, classified in class 29, subclass 25.35.
- II. Claims 38-58, drawn to the structure of a piezoelectric transducer, classified in class 310, subclass 311.
- III. Claims 59-60, drawn to a method for propagating parametric sound, classified in class 381, subclass 77.

In response to the restriction requirement of June 1, 2006, the Applicant provisionally elects, without traverse, the group of I. The claims readable thereon being claims 1-37.

### **CONCLUSION**

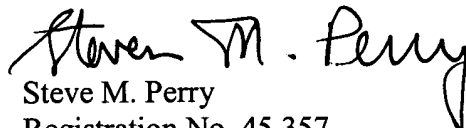
In light of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-37 are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant requests that the rejections and objections be withdrawn, and that the claims be allowed and passed to issue. If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is strongly encouraged to call Vaughn W. North at (801) 566-6633 so that such matters may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

No claims were added while 23 claims were canceled (claims 38-60), including independent claims (claims 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 58, and 59). Therefore, no additional fee is due.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100.

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